

MinutesJuly 24, 2001 9:00 a.m.

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, July 24, 2001, the following members were present:

Gary Feland, Chairman
Jay Stovall, Vice Chairman
Bob Anderson, Commissioner
Matt Brainard, Commissioner

Commissioner Rowe was absent but left written votes with the Commission Secretary.

APPEARANCE
Dennis Crawford
Utility Division

(226) In the matter of Conoco Gas & Power Marketing, Docket No. N2001.6.74; On June 15, 2001, Conoco Gas & Power Marketing filed an application for an electricity supplier license. The Company does not intend to serve residential or small business customers. Commissioner Anderson moved to approve the electricity supplier license application. Commissioner Stovall seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Rowe voted aye.

(227) In the matter of Montana Power Company, Docket No. D2001.3.30; On July 3, 2001, MPC filed an application seeking an Accounting Order to accrue and defer the administrative costs associated with implementation of the Electrical Energy Pool. An Accounting Order has been drafted which allows MPC to accrue and defer these administrative costs through June 30, 2002. Commissioner Anderson moved to approve the accounting order. Commissioner Stovall seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Rowe voted aye.

APPEARANCE
Wayne Budt, Administrator
Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(228) In the matter of TN 2102; Cutrbus Sparks Ventures LLC dba Classic Limo, Bozeman, Montana requests permission to lease PSC No. 9403 to Peanut Butter & Jelly Investments LLC dba Classic Limo, Bozeman, Montana for a period of six months, July 24, 2001 to January 24, 2002. Commissioner Brainard moved to approve the lease. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Rowe voted aye.

APPEARANCE
Laura Calkin
Centralized Services

(229) In the matter of the approval of Commission Minutes; Commissioner Stovall moved to approve the Commission Minutes for the week of July 9, 2001. Commissioner Brainard seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Rowe voted aye.

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There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

GARY FELAND, Chairman

JAY STOVALL, Vice Chairman

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

MATT BRAINARD, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Rhonda J. Simmons
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

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Commissioner Rowe was speaking at the League of Cities and Towns meeting. Certain votes were left open for him and Commissioner Rowe's votes are reflected in these minutes.

APPEARANCE
Robin McHugh

(230) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of the PSC's investigation of Qwest's carrier access rates, Docket No. D2001.6.76; Commissioner Brainard moved to approve extending the deadline for response to the notice of inquiry by 11 days. Commissioner Stovall seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Rowe voted aye.

APPEARANCE
Martin Jacobson

(231) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Mid-Rivers and 3 Rivers EAS request into the Great Falls and Billings exchanges, Docket Nos. D99.7.172 and D2000.6.95; Commissioner Anderson moved to issue the order subject to editing. Commissioner Brainard seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 4-1. Commissioner Rowe dissented.

APPEARANCE
Martin Jacobson, Marla Larson

(232) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative's application for eligible telecommunications carrier status in the Terry and Fairview exchanges, Docket Nos. D2001.5.50 and D2001.5.52; Commissioner Stovall moved to approve the draft order and provide certification to the FCC. Commissioner Brainard seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Rowe voted aye.

APPEARANCE
Martin Jacobson, Kate Whitney

(233) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of telephone number privacy draft rulemaking, Docket No. L-01.6.3-RUL; Commissioner Brainard moved to issue the notice of proposed rulemaking. Commissioner Stovall seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Rowe voted aye.

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APPEARANCE

Martin Jacobson

(234) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of PSC electronic documents – external, Docket No. L-01.6.2-RUL; Commissioner Anderson moved to publish the notice of proposed rulemaking. Commissioner Brainard seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Rowe voted aye.

APPEARANCE

Robin McHugh, David Hoffman, Susan Good, Eric Eck, Will Rosquist

(235) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of the lawsuit filed by PPL against the PSC, Docket No. D97.7.90; Commissioner Brainard moved to close the session for discussion of legal strategy. Commissioner Stovall seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 4-0. Commissioner Rowe did not vote on this issue.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

GARY FELAND, Chairman

JAY STOVALL, Vice Chairman

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

MATT BRAINARD, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Rhonda J. Simmons
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

MinutesJuly 26, 2001 8:00 a.m.

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Thursday, July 26, 2001, the following members were present:

Gary Feland, Chairman
Jay Stovall, Vice Chairman
Bob Anderson, Commissioner
Matt Brainard, Commissioner
Bob Rowe, Commissioner

APPEARANCE

Robin McHugh, David Hoffman, Will Rosquist

(236) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of the application of Montana Power Company for approval of the power purchase agreement with Rocky Mountain Power, Docket No. D2001.7.93; Commissioner Anderson moved to issue a notice of opportunity to intervene, comment and request a hearing with a response deadline of August 3, requesting comments on the scope of the commission's authority and responsibility to approve default procurement and supply, and approve the request for a protective order. Commissioner Brainard seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

GARY FELAND, Chairman

JAY STOVALL, Vice Chairman

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

MATT BRAINARD, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Rhonda J. Simmons
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

MinutesJuly 26, 2001 10:00 a.m.

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Gary Feland, Chairman
Jay Stovall, Vice Chairman
Bob Anderson, Commissioner
Matt Brainard, Commissioner
Bob Rowe, Commissioner

APPEARANCE
Robin McHugh, Mike Lee

(237) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of the application of Qwest' s application for section 271 approval, Docket No. D2000.5.70; Commissioner Rowe moved to accept the staff recommendation (on checklist item 13 – reciprocal compensation). Commissioner Stovall seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

GARY FELAND, Chairman

JAY STOVALL, Vice Chairman

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

MATT BRAINARD, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Rhonda J. Simmons
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)